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TO AMEMBASSY OTTAWA

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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL REPLY TO JULY 4 MESSAGE FROM GOVERNOR
GENERAL LEGER, CANADA

1. IN RESPONSE TO A MESSAGE FROM GOVERNOR GENERAL LEGER ON
THE OCCASION OF JULY 4, THE EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO TRANSMIT
THE FOLLOWING REPLY FROM PRESIDENT FORD:

"ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, MRS. FORD AND I THANK
YOU FOR YOUR VERY KIND MESSAGE OF GOOD WISHES. WE ENTER
OUR THIRD CENTURY WITH PRIDE IN OUR HERITAGE AND RENEWED
DEDICATION TO THE PRINCIPLES OF FREEDOM, DIGNITY AND EQUALIT
ON WHICH OUR COUNTRY WAS FOUNDED. WE WARMLY WELCOME YOUR
EXPRESSION OF GOOD WILL IN SHARING WITH US THIS BICENTENNIAL
ANNIVERSARY OF OUR NATION'S INDEPENDENCE. SINCERELY,
GERALD R. FORD."

2. FOR EMBASSY'S INFORMATION, FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF LEGER'S
MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT:

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"ON THE OCCASION OF THE BICENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY OF THE

DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA, IT GIVES ME GREAT PLEASURE TO EXTEND TO YOU, MR.
PRESIDENT, AND THE PEOPLE OF YOUR COUNTRY, SINCERE WISHES

FOR CONTINUED PEACE AND PROSPERITY AND TO REITERATE THE
HOPE THAT THE SPIRIT OF COOPERATION THAT HAS TRADITIONALLY
MARKED THE RELATIONS BETWEEN CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES
WILL CONTINUE TO FLOURISH TO OUR PEOPLES' MUTUAL BENEFIT.
YOURS SINCERELY, JULES LEGER."

3. THE WHITE HOUSE HAS NO PLANS TO RELEASE THE TEXTS OF
THESE MESSAGES, BUT HAS NO OBJECTION IF GOC WISHES TO.
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